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Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Defective Response" mailed February 1, 2008 from the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1. COPY of the "Notification of Defective Response" mailed February 1, 2008.
- 2. TRANSMITTAL OF SUBSTITUTE SEQUENCE LISTING INCLUDING:
 - a. **Substitute** Paper Copy of the Sequence Listing (14 pages).
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 - c. Statements in compliance with Sequence Listing rules.
- 3. **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** Applicant hereby requests a 3-month extension of time to respond to the pending Notification of Defective Response mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 1, 2008.
- **4. PAYMENT** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-1664 in the amount of \$1,050.00 for the 3-month extension of time fee.
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